

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of original claim 20.

Claim 10 has been amended to correct the dependency.

Claim 12 has been amended to correct the dependency.

Claim 20 has been cancelled.

Claim 21 has been amended to correct the dependency.

Claim 30 has been amended to recite the blood container comprising a bag and a sponge disposed within the bag where the sponge contains simulated blood as in original claim 36.

Claims 32 and 33 have been amended to correct antecedent basis problems.

Claims 36 and 37 have been amended in view of the amendments to claim 30.

Claim 38 has been amended to include the elements and limitations of original claim 30.

Nonelected claims 45-47 have been cancelled. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter of these claims.

New claim 48 includes limitations from original claims 30 and 35.

New claim 49 includes limitations from original claim 43.

New claim 50 includes limitations from original claim 7.

New claim 51 includes limitations from original claim 8.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The dependency of claims 10, 12, 43 and 44 have been corrected to overcome the indefiniteness rejections.

The preamble of claims 32 and 33 have been amended to correct antecedent basis problems.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §§ 102 & 103

The Office Action notes that there is no suggestion of a bag and sponge configuration in the prior art. Claim 30 has been amended to include a bag and sponge. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claim 30 (and claims 31-37 and 43-44 that depend thereon) are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action also notes that there is no suggestion of a blood container situated between a simulated skin and an inner core in the prior art. New claim 48 recites a blood container situated between a simulated skin and an inner core. Therefore, it is submitted that new independent claim 48 (and claims 49-51 that depend thereon) are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action further notes that there is no suggestion of a container as in original claim 20 in the prior art. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 20. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended claim 1 (and claims 2-19 and 21-29 that depend thereon) are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action also notes that there is no suggestion of a pump and processor in the prior art. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that amended (now independent) claim 38 (and claims 39-42 that depend thereon) are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

It is believed that the entire application is in condition for allowance.

Having paid for 47 total claims and 3 independent claims, Applicants authorize the fees for the extra one independent claim to be charged to Deposit Account No. 17-

0055. If any additional fees are needed, please charge them to Deposit Account No.

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Respectfully submitted,

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